

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1185, Timber-Dependent Counties Stabilization Act of 1999; and H.R. 2389, County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representative Boyd; Mike Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

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*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 20, Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River Mongaup Visitor Center Act of 1999; H.R. 748, to amend the Act that established the Keweenaw National Historical Park to require the Secretary of the Interior to consider nominees of various local interests in appointing members of the Keweenaw National Historical Parks Advisory Commission; H.R. 1695, Ivanpah Valley Airport Public Lands Transfer Act; and H.R. 1725, Miwaleta Park Expansion Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gilman, Stupak, Gibbons and DeFazio; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Jacqueline Lowey, Deputy Director, National Park Service; and Tom Fry, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management; and public witnesses.

**RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule, providing one hour of debate on H.R. 1691, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1999. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order an amendment in the nature of a substitute if printed in the Congressional Record, if offered by Representative Conyers of Michigan or his designee, debatable for one hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Canady of Florida and Nadler.

**IRAN NONPROLIFERATION ACT**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on H.R. 1883, Iran Nonproliferation Act. Testimony was heard from John Schumacher, Associate Administrator, External Relations, NASA; and public witnesses.

**ESTUARIES AND COASTAL WATER QUALITY**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Estuaries and Coastal Water Quality. Testimony was heard from Representatives Saxton, Shays, Lazio, Forbes, Ackerman, Deutsch and

Ros-Lehtinen; Michael Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Policy and Legislation; Dana D. Minerva, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Water, EPA; Sally J. Yozell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

**FINANCIAL FREEDOM ACT**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Began markup of H.R. 2488, Financial Freedom Act of 1999.

Will continue tomorrow.

**ENCRYPTION BRIEFING**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Encryption. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,  
JULY 14, 1999**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on forward operating locations for counterdrug operations, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on health care cost issues affecting rural hospitals, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* with the Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold joint oversight hearings on the General Accounting Office report on Interior Department's trust funds reform, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings on conformity issues relating to the Clean Air Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on International Trade, to hold hearings on managing global and regional trade policy without fast track negotiating authority, 3 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings on S. 1214, to ensure the liberties of the people by promoting federalism, to protect the reserved powers of the States, to impose accountability for Federal preemption of State and local laws, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation Family Medical Leave Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold joint oversight hearings on the General Accounting Office report on Interior Department's trust funds reform, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* closed business meeting; to be followed by a closed hearing on pending intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine competition and consumer choice in high-speed internet services and technologies, 10 a.m., SD-628.

**House**

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 2000, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 2000, 4 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on Department of Energy reorganization, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on the Aging Crisis and H.R. 202, Preserving Affordable Housing for Senior Citizens into the 21st Century Act, 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on How Healthy Are the Government's Medicare Fraud Fighters? 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, to mark up H.R. 2384, Corporation for Public Broadcasting Authorization Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, to mark up H.R. 1102, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on the Treatment of Israel by the United Nations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following: a measure making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; H.R. 2415, American Embassy Security Act of 1999; and H.R. 434, African Growth and Opportunity Act, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on the Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to continue markup of H.R. 2488, Financial Freedom Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, hearing on Encryption, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.